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In re Application of	:	
Horii, et al.	:	
Application No. 09/735,548	:	ON PETITION
Filed: December 14, 2000	:	
Attorney Docket No. 381NT/49487	:	

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed July 23, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

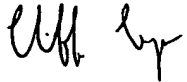
The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely file a proper response to the final Office action mailed January 16, 2003, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on April 17, 2003. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on October 20, 2003. Petitioner filed a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) on April 8, 2004. However, this petition was dismissed in a decision mailed on May 24, 2004.

With the instant petition, petitioner submitted a proper reply in the form of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). The petition fee and the proper statement of unintentional delay were submitted with the earlier petition on April 8, 2004.

The Change in Correspondence Address submitted with the instant petition has been entered.

The application file is being forwarded to Group Art Unit 1725 for consideration of the RCE filed July 23, 2004.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0272.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Cliff Congo".

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